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An r -dynamic proper k -coloring of a graph G is a proper k -coloring of G such that every vertex in $V(G)$ has neighbors in at least $\min\{d(v), r\}$ different color classes. The r -dynamic chromatic number of a graph G , written $\chi_r(G)$, is the least k such that G has an r -dynamic proper k -coloring. Our main result in this talk is that if G is a k -regular graph and $k \geq 7r \ln r$, then $\chi_r(G) \leq r\chi(G)$, where $\chi(G)$ is the chromatic number of G . In addition, we study the 2-dynamic chromatic number of a graph and the r -dynamic chromatic number of the cartesian product of two graphs. (Received July 26, 2011)